

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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1. Oil was discovered by the Soviets in the whole Bacau district, apparently in larger quantities than in Ploesti and in the Prahova Valley, and responsibility for the development of the entire area was given to Sovrompetrol No. 5, Moinesti. The largest wells are believed to be at Zemes, near Moinesti, where a new road has been built, and other oil strata have been discovered near the suburbs of Bacau itself. Because of the discovery of oil behind the old railroad station at Moinesti, the whole population is to be transferred to a new town to be built.
2. New rich oil wells are said to have been dug at Sesul Tazlaului near the village of Tescani (Rumania 100,000 sheet No. 4565, Bacau 6795/6707).
3. At Darmanesti, 40 km. from Bacau and 6 km. from Moinesti, the Soviets in 1949 built a new refinery using old machinery and materials taken from the Ploesti-Campina districts. The refinery can process 4,000 tons of oil in 24 hours, and employs about 400 workers in three shifts. The manager is a Soviet woman. The products are taken by pipeline to the railroad and the oil piped directly into the tank cars. (Coordinate of refinery at edge of mountains - Rumania 100,000 No. 4065 Palanca sheet. Probably between 6635/6540 and 6645/6555).
4. After the construction of the Darmanesti Refinery seven or eight persons, including the chief engineer (who had also worked on the Danube-Black Sea Canal), two other engineers and the chief mechanic, were arrested because expenses had exceeded the estimate by a million lei. They were found guilty although it was evident that the excess expenditure was caused by materials which had to be bought on the black market, and the work had been carried out to the satisfaction of the company.

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